

EXPLANATORY NOTES

1. Reporting gaps were discovered in compiling the Procurement Division study. These gaps were identified in statistical data compiled by Supply and Procurement Divisions. Illustrative of these data differences is the fact that Supply Division recorded 20,308 line items as having been passed to components of Procurement and Supply Division for actions, whereas those components reported the actual acquisition of 22,139 line items. The 22,139 line items includes only those actions actually completed and if the number of line items in the pipeline were included, the gap would increase markedly (see Exhibit 1).

2. The Receiving Section, Central Depot, reported the receipt of 19,095 line items for the period 1 July through 31 December 1974. In order to accurately compute system receipts growing out of procurement operations for FY 75, it would be necessary to add the number of line items delivered direct to customers by PD and SPB, the number of line items delivered to [REDACTED], the exclusion of receipts associated with prior fiscal year transactions, etc. Accordingly, the number of receipts recorded by Central Depot cannot be considered an accurate barometer of system activity. This inaccuracy notwithstanding, there seems to be greater comparability between this figure and the 20,308 line items passed for purchase action than the number of line items actually reported as procured, or 22,139 line items.

3. Causative factors associated with the gap could not be determined. Yet, coincidence between statistical data compiled by the several components of the Directorate is essential if management is to evaluate the efficiency with which the system operates.

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Supply Division reports - Exhibit 2
Receiving Section - Central Depot

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